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SUMMARY OF NETWORK NEWS IN THIS ISSUE

SEC. ENDERS ASKS MORE MILITARY AID FOR EL SALVADOR: The Reagan administration has revived the domino theory as rationale for increased military aid for El Salvador. Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Enders told Congress the administration is sending an additional \$55 million in military aid to El Salvador and will ask Congress for \$100 million more. If the U.S. does not help El Salvador, he said, it would not be long before U.S. strategic interests would be at risk. Reports from Bob Simon, CBS; Bernard Kalb, NBC; and Bill Greenwood and Barrie Dunsmore, ABC.

DOZIER RESISTS TRANSFER ADVICE: Brig. Gen. James Dozier is apparently resisting recommendations that he transfer to another post for his personal safety, preferring to finish his tour of duty in Verona. The White House announced that the general will visit President Reagan later this week. Gen. Dozier is winding up his debriefing in Vicenza, and, because of information he has given American officials, security procedures on American bases are being refined. Italian police sources say they still have not found the mastermind of the Dozier kidnapping, but the crackdown on terrorists in Italy continues. And the U.S. Defense Department reportedly used clairvoyants in an effort to find Gen. Dozier. This is the first known time the Defense Department has used parapsychology in an ongoing military investigation. Reports from Dan Rather, CBS, Keith Miller, NBC, and Frank Reynolds, Peter Jennings, Bill Blakemore, and Pierre Salinger, ABC.

<u>DEFENSE ADVISER'S NOMINATION BLOCKED</u>: A REagan campaign adviser on defense charged White House officials blocked his nomination to head an arms control committee because he opposed the administration plan for MX deployment.

IRAN'S PURPORTED CIA DOCUMENTS: George Lewis, NBC, reported that Iran released documents they say are CIA reports, including one detailing how Israel spies on other nations, including the U.S. and Egypt. Former Iran hostage Joseph Subic told NBC the Iranians have many more classified documents petentially embarrassing to the CIA.

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Enders Asks More Salvadorán Ald

DAN RATHER: The domino theory is back in the news, this time as a rationale for increased aid to El Salvador.

"As El Salvador goes, so goes Central America." That sums up what Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Enders told Congress today. He did so by way of explaining why an additional \$55 million worth of military equipment is being sent to El Salvador, and he asked Congress for another \$100 million in aid on top of that.

Bob Simon reports that a Republican-controlled subcommittee in the Senate liked what Enders had to say. Democrats in control on the House side did not.

BOB SIMON: There have been occasional massacres in Salvador, and there's been progress in human rights.

Such was the theme of Assistant Secretary Enders' testimony, and, if any senators were troubled by this logic, Enders let them know exactly what the administration thinks are the stakes.

ASST. SECRETARY OF STATE THOMAS ENDERS: The decisive battle for Central America is now underway in El Salvador. For if, after Nicaragua, El Salvador is captured by a violent minority, who in Central America will not live in fear? How long will it be before major US strategic interests — the Canal, the sea lanes, oil supplies — would be at risk?

SIMON: With 11 cameras, but only one Democrat in the chamber, Enders ran into little opposition when he defended additional ald to the Duarte regime, primarily by speculating on what would happen if US aid is terminated.

SEC. ENDERS: There would be, very probably, a period -- a substantial period of great bloodshed in El Salvador, followed, quite

probably, by a victory of the Insurgent forces.

SIMON: Neither Enders nor the Republican senators spoke of light at the end of the tunnel. But in the House this afternoon, Democrat Clarence Long asked what many had been thinking: Doesn't it all sound a bit like Vietnam?

REP. CLARENCE LONG: We became the enemy. In other words, they stopped hating each other and started hating the United States.

SEC. ENDERS: I don't think that what you're saying is correct, that we are becoming the enemy. And I would add one more thing: This is very close to us. This is happening right next to us. This is not Vietnam, on the other side of the world. This is right next door to us.

SIMON: Air Force Gen. James Aman (?) said the administration is thinking about sending more non-combat personnel to Salvador. Other administration officials are conveying the message that next month's elections will be a free and a democratic spectacle and that, when they're over, the war will continue.

Bob Simon, CBS News, Capitol

Dozier Resists Transfer Advice

RATHER: A US official in Italy says that Brig. Gen. James Dozier is resisting recommendations that he transfer to another post for his personal safety.

The official says Dozier insists on finishing his two-year tour of duty in Verona, where the Red Brigades kidnapped him. That tour ends this summer.

The official said that Dozier, and I quote, "feels his continued presence would help boost morale and serve as a humiliating blow to the Red Brigades."

Defense Adviser's Nomination Blocked

RATHER: A Reagan campaign adviser on defense, William Van Cleve (?), tonight said senior White House officials have blocked his

nomination to head an arms control advisory committee. Van Cleve said it is because he opposed the administration plan for deploying the MX missile. In Van Cleve's words, "Apparently, they can't tolerate a different point of view."

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US Calls Salvadoran Battle Decisive

JOHN CHANCELLOR: The government of El Salvador today denied that army troops massacred 20 civilians. Nobody denied the 200 soldiers had killed the 20 men, women, and children, but the government insisted that the deaths occurred during a regular antiguerrilla operation.

This news came on the day when the Reagan administration disclosed its decision to send additional military aid to El Salvador and its plan to ask Congress for even more aid.

*** More on El Salvador and the Reagan administration from Roger Mudd in Washington.

ROGER MUDD: The administration sketched a grim picture of the Caribbean today. Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Enders said that a decisive battle is forming in El Salvador and that, unless the US comes to the aid of the Salvadoran government, the Soviets and the Cubans will have a new opening on the American mainland.

Bernard Kalb reports.

BERNARD KALB: Enders said the adminstration will send \$55 million worth of military equipment to El Salvador immediately, and then indicated that the administration would ask Congress for almost twice that amount in additional assistance.

SEC. ENDERS: I cannot confirm at this point the figure that you have heard just cited of \$100 mll-

But it will be something, we llon. believe, on that order of latitude.

KALB: All this aid in addition to the \$140 million in military and economic assistance already earmarked for El Salvador this fiscal

year. Why all this aid? SEC. ENDERS: The decisive battle for Central America is now underway in El Salvador. For if, after Nicaragua, El Salvador is captured by a violent minority, who in Central America will not live in How long would it be before major US strategic interests -- the Canal, the sea lanes, oll supplies -- would be at risk?

KALB: Enders accused Cuba of systematically expanding its capacity to export revolution, disclosing for the first time, according to the Pentagon, the arrival in Cuba this year of a second squadron of Soviet Mig 23 fighters.

Enders didn't face any hostile questions on the Senate side. Later, when he appeared before a House panel, one Congressman, Long of Maryland, said the US is getting involved in something more protracted and expensive than the American people know about, adding that El Salvador is becoming a bottomless pit.

Bernard Kalb, NBC News, at the Capitol.

MUDD: Sec. Enders said today that US military assistance, which will come from the Pentagon's emergency stockpiles, will also be increased for Honduras. Enders said the Cubans are trying to unify the left in Honduras and start another insurgency.

Kidnap Mastermind Hasn't Been Found

KEITH MILLER: Police sources [in Italy] say they still haven't found one of the masterminds of the Dozier kidnapping. Police theorize that up to 12 people carried out the abduction. So far, the only people to be identified with the case are the five people arrested during the rescue operation. *** Dozier has said he spent

most of his day chained inside a pup tent. Most of the time, his eyes were taped shut. Stereo headphones were placed over his ears, and classical music drowned out the terrorists' conversation.

He wore the same track suit he was kidnapped in, but could wash daily. ***

Iran's Purported CIA Documents

GEORGE LEWIS: Christmas, 1979: The hostages on Iranian television. Army Sgt. Joseph Subic says American intelligence has been severely compromised.

Later, the Iranians showed off captured documents and the shreds of secret papers they were trying to reassemble. Among documents recently released by Iran, one purporting to be a CIA survey called Israel -- Foreign Intelligence and Security Services.

NBC News has obtained a copy.
It details how israel spies on other nations, including the United States. Among the tactics: Eavesdropping -- microphones planted in American diplomatic offices in Tel Aviv and taps on telephones.

Blackmail -- in one instance, agents tried to recruit an American consular employee who was having an affair with an Israell woman.

Bribery -- attempting to get US Marine embassy guards to sell information.

The signing of the Camp David Accords in 1979 -- a dramatic improvement in relations between israel and Egypt. What some Egyptians may now find surprising is that, according to the purported CIA report, Israel has designated Egypt as a main target area for establishing intelligence networks.

It is a fact of life that friendly nations often spy on one another. They just don't like attention focused on it.

Former Iran hostage Joseph Subic told NBC News the Iranians have a lot more classified documents they can release, potentially embarrassing to the CIA and other intelligence services.

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Reagan Revives Domino Theory

FRANK REYNOLDS: The Reagan administration today returned to the first foreign policy concern of its first days in office. It was said here today the decisive battle for Central American is underway in El Salvador.

So, at a time of rapidly increasing violence and bloodshed and new workies about human rights, Congress was told today that military and economic assistance to El Salva dor must be increased, and, in what seemed a revival of the falling domino theory, was warned that much more than El Salvador is at stake.

BILL GREENWOOD: Administration officials say the situation is so serious, they're sending \$55 million in emergency military aid immediately and will ask Congress for \$100 million more to prevent a leftist takeover.

SEC. ENDERS: If, after Nicaragua, El Salvador is captured by a violent minority, who in Central America will not live in fear?

GREENWOOD: Senators were told it's a matter of US honor and commitment.

SEC. ENDERS: If we repudiated the Salvadoran government, that would, of course, be a massive psychological blow to that government and army. And I think it's a question of how long it would last under those circumstances.

GREENWOOD: Pell of Rhode Island said he's heard such talk before.

SEN. CLAIBORNE PELL: But doesn't this remind you a little bit of what we used to think in southeast Asia, when we had other conversations in this same room?

SEC. ENDERS: I find it hard to make the analogy. We do not have either the presence of the United States Army in that country, nor do we have the presence of large numbers of Communist troops from a

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neighboring country.

GREENWOOD: Officials do have continued allegations of civilian massacres by government soldiers, including one last weekend. The US is investigating El Salvadoran claims it resulted from a fire fight.

SEC. ENDERS: I do deplore what appears to be the excessive violence of this action, and I find it very difficult to buy the notion that there was, in fact, a fire fight, and that is a result -- that this was the result of it.

GREENWOOD: Congress was told El Salvador is making progress to reduce civilian casualties, that 800 died in 1980; last year, the official death toll was half that number.

Bill Greenwood, ABC News, on Capitol Hill.

How Far Will US Go in El Salvador?

BARRIE DUNSMORE: While Sec. Enders was making the administration's case, guerrilla spokesman Rubin Zamora (?) was in Washington predicting the US would eventually have to send in the Marines to save the Duarte government.

RUBIN ZAMORA: We don't want Marines in El Salvador. [Unintel-ligible] we are going to fight them until the last man.

DUNSMORE: For US policy makers, the case of El Salvador fits the classic definition of diplomacy -- choosing between the undesirable and the unacceptable.

What is undesirable is to support a regime with a bad human rights record, where the security forces cause many of the civillan casualties, which has not moved effectively with reforms, and where the coming elections may not mean a thing.

What is unacceptable for this administration is that El Salvador should fall to Cuban-supported leftists, that it should then join with Nicaragua to subvert Guatemala and Honduras, so that Central America ultimately comes under Soviet domination.

The question remains, how far is the US prepared to go to prevent the unacceptable? After a year, that is still not clear. So far, officials contend the US will use economic and military assistance, not US troops. But, they concede, that may not be enough.

*Barrie Dunsmore, ABC News, the

State Department.

Gen. Dozier to Visit Reagan in US

FRANK REYNOLDS: The precise day has not been set, but the White House said today that Gen. James Dozier, rescued last week from the Red Brigades in Italy, will come home and will see President Reagan later this week.

For more on the Dozier story, we go to our foreign desk in London and Peter Jennings.

PETER JENNINGS: In Italy today a newspaper in Milan says that Red Brigades terrorists rounded up by the police are "singing like canaries." The number arrested since Gen. Dozier was set free has now climbed to 29, and italian police said today that three more Red Brigades hideouts have been discovered.

Pope John Paul told NATO officers at the Vatican today Gen. Dozier's release proves that terrorism can be defeated.

The general will answer reporters' questions tomorrow. Tonight, from Vicenza, ABC's Bill Blakemore.

BILL BLAKEMORE: Gen. Dozier remained all day behind the heavy security here at his Vicenza base, winding up the initial stages of his debriefing with Italian authorities to help them in their campaign against terrorism.

Security procedures on American bases here are already being refined as a result of what he told American officers.

*** Inside the Vatican today, Pope John Paul spoke to graduating officers of the NATO war college and their families about Dozier's rescue.

POPE JOHN PAUL II: His liberation was a moment of great joy for so many people who had hoped and

prayed for his release.

BLAKEMORE: Today, under stark confinement of courtroom cages, more Red Brigades members went on trial here. Five more were arrested over the weekend, and police say information from them includes the answer to a three-year-old puzzle: The place where the Red Brigades had imprisoned Aldo Morro, the former Prime Minister, before killing him. ***

DOD Used Mediums in Dozier Search

PIERRE SALINGER: *** Fifth mistake [made by Red Brigades terrorists in the Dozier kidnapping] -- Dozier's kidnappers seemed unprepared for in-depth questioning of their captive. The scarcity of the communiques proves this.

And Dozier's toughness in dealing with his captors extended the time the Red Brigades planned to hold him, and, according to Italian intelligence sources, probably saved his life.

ABC News has learned that top American officials believe there is no evidence from the questioning of Dozier that would indicate any outside influence on the Red Brigades.

At first, Dozier said he would not answer questions because he believed the Red Brigades were infiltrated by the KGB, the Soviet secret police. But his captors argued, apparently convincingly, they had nothing to do with the Soviets. In fact, Dozier reported, he was not asked questions on sensitive military equipment a foreign power might have provided the Red Brigades.

The questioning, then, centered on a meeting of all US admirals and generals stationed in Italy held a week before Dozier was seized. The Red Brigades wanted to know how much time at the meeting had been spent discussing Italian terrorism and were disappointed to learn the subject had hardly come up. One of the [unintelligible] of the Red Brigades is that NATO is set up to repress revolutionary activity in Italy.

Sixth mistake: The Red Brigades

had counted on the rising peace movement in Italy and massive demonstrations in Rome to give them support for the abduction for Gen. Dozier. But, having planned the kidnapping, martial law was imposed in Poland, crippling the peace movement in Italy and depriving Dozier's abductors of the support they had hoped for.

Finally, ABC News has learned that the US Defense Department used clairvoyants in an effort to find Dozier. This is the first known time that the Defense Department has used what is called parapsychology in an ongoing military investigation, and the first known time these methods have used against terrorists.

The American embassy in Rome received a number of messages from the Pentagon with parapsychological information on the alleged location of Dozier, which was turned over to Italian police for checking. For example, a Defense Department medium had visualized a quiet farmhouse outside Verona, with a river running near it. And the medium had even conjured up a vision of the room where Dozier was being held.

Italian police raided a number of farmhouses that fit the medium's vision at gunpoint, and at one found an Italian businessman spending a quiet weekend with his lady friend.

Other raids were carried out by Italian police based on parapsychological information provided by the Pentagon, but with no results. It was not mediums, but hard police work which finally turned up the hideout where Gen. Dozier was held for 42 days.

Pierre Salinger, ABC News, Rome.